

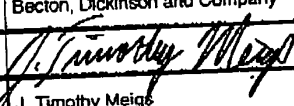
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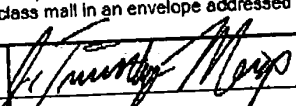
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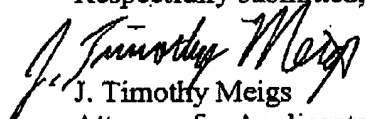
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Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, dated November 3, 2006, the period for response being one month, the following is respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In response to the requirement that one of Groups I – IV be elected, Applicant elects Group III, drawn to a method of diagnosing Alzheimer's disease in a patient.

Respectfully submitted,



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